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At 3:30 p. m., there will be sports at the Campus.

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Trains will leave on Saturdays at 9:15 A. M. and 1:45 P. M., arriving in Honolulu at 3:11 P. M. and 5:26 P. M.  
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## EULOGIZING THE DEAD.

Members of the Bar Speak of the Late Justice.

### SESSION OF THE SUPREME COURT.

Resolution of Condolence on Death of Justice Bickerton—Court Adjourns for a Day—Attorneys Address the Court—All Speak Well of Deceased.

The December term of the Supreme Court opened yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. Promptly to the moment Chief Justice Judd and second Justice W. F. Frear, with Circuit Judges W. A. Whiting and J. A. Magoon, entered the room. The chair used by the late Justice Bickerton was covered with emblems of mourning.

Members of the Bar present were President Sanford B. Dole, Minister H. E. Cooper, Attorney-General Wm. O. Smith, Deputy Attorney-General A. W. Carter, Marshal A. M. Brown, A. S. Hartwell, Cecil Brown, L. A. Thurston, J. L. Kaulukou, J. M. Monsarrat, A. Rosa, Enoch Johnson, W. A. Kinney, J. K. Kaulia, Elia Helekuinihi, M. Kealoha, C. Creighton, A. Perry, A. G. M. Robertson, S. K. Kane, W. Luther Wilcox, W. S. Edings, Geo. D. la Vergne, L. A. Dickey, E. P. Dole, Geo. A. Davis, A. S. Humphreys, W. L. Stanley, W. Horace Wright and A. G. Correa. Sheriff Andrews of Maui and a number of prominent citizens were also present.

After the court had been declared open, Attorney-General Smith arose and spoke of the death of Justice Bickerton. Before introducing a resolution of condolence that had been prepared by a committee of the Bar, Mr. Smith desired to say a few words about the deceased.

May it please the Court, we have known our departed brother for many years, and our relations with him have been pleasant. In thinking of him and of his life, his relations with us and ours with him there is no one quality which has left a deeper impression on my mind than his unfailing courtesy. Justice Bickerton was a gentleman at heart; and in the course of trials where more or less feeling was excited, where there were disappointments, where of necessity advocates appearing before the Court had to meet disappointments, he never failed to treat all with gentleness and with forbearance. He had not had the advantages that some have had in his early life, the advantages of legal training, but he had a wonderfully good common sense. He had a gentleness of heart which made his relations not only with the members of the Bar, but with the jurors and the parties who came before the Court pleasant. I think it can be safely said that he never unnecessarily injured the feelings of anyone. It is fitting on occasions of this nature for us to pause and remember that we, each of us in our turn must leave all these associations, all these relations which are so dear to us and must appear before that higher Court. It is a matter and perhaps not inappropriate to refer to on this occasion, a matter of congratulation that the members of the Bar of this Supreme Court do maintain a high character, a character of integrity in their relations to each other and to the Court. This is not only due to their own instincts and their own characters, but it is also due partly to their relations with the Court. It is a matter pleasant to think that the Supreme Court and also the Circuit Courts in their relations to the Bar pursued a course which has tended to elevate the Bar. This is not an occasion for many words. While the death of our brother was not unexpected, death always brings more or less of a shock. We mourn for the departed. We will long remember Justice Bickerton, and it is with feelings of the deepest sorrow I take pleasure in presenting this resolution prepared by the committee of the Bar.

"WHEREAS, It has pleased God in His wise providence to remove the Honorable Richard Frederick Bickerton, First Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, by death; be it Resolved, That while we bow in submissive resignation to the loss which we have suffered in the removal of Justice Bickerton from high office as a Justice of the Supreme Court, we hereby record our appreciation of his unfailing courtesy and his conscientious and faithful attention to the responsible duties of his position; That we hereby express to the family of the deceased Justice our sincere condolence and our sympathy with them in their bereavement; That this resolution be spread upon the records of the Supreme Court and that a copy be forwarded to the widow of the deceased."

## CECIL BROWN.—May it please the Court, on behalf of the Bar I would like to second the resolution read by the Attorney-General and to say that the late Justice Bickerton in all his dealings with the Bar, his dealings in all his relations with the people who came before him were, as set forth by the Attorney-General, gentle in every respect. His handling of cases at nisi prius I know has been talked of and he complimented upon his handling of those cases more especially as we all know that he was a man who had not had the training that the majority of the members of the Bar have had. He was in fact a self-made man. My first acquaintance with the late Justice Bickerton was in 1875 when he was living at Waiolua. After that he came to Honolulu and there pursued his studies. He pursued his studies in the office of Mr. Jones and was admitted to the Bar and obtained very fair share of practice. We all know that he filled the office of Police Judge of the District of Honolulu, faithfully, fearlessly and satisfactorily to all parties, from which he was promoted to the Bench of the Supreme Court. And we all know, those who have had the pleasure of practicing before him before the change in the judicial system, that at trials at nisi prius he was fair, just and courteous and everybody practicing before him received their due without fear or favor. And in this loss that the Bar has sustained, and the Court itself, a loss which we all mourn, and we mourn for him although we know from his life and for the last few months of his living here that the change was a happy one. We also mourn for his family, but we have this satisfaction, that we know that his life here as a jurist, as a Judge of this Court, was such that no man can say anything against, and it is therefore with pleasure that the committee of the Bar has presented these resolutions and ask that not only should a copy be sent to his family, but also that with the permission of the Court they may be engrossed upon the record.

A. S. Hartwell.—May it please the Court I should like to say one word to express my entire accord with the resolutions and with what has been said about Mr. Justice Bickerton. I knew him first when he was manager of the Kalaia plantation, having the pleasure of being entertained by him on one occasion there. I observed him as he came in and out in this community for many years as well as when he became Police Magistrate and a Justice of this Court. In an isolated community like this, in which it is said that the tongue of scandal, spite perhaps, is more than ordinarily free to wag, I certainly do not recollect ever having heard anything against Mr. Bickerton's integrity, impartiality and fair dealing.

And I certainly have never observed anything of that sort in my long acquaintance with him. It appears to me that he had excellent sense and tact in the affairs of men; in dealing with men, excellent tact also. A knowledge of law alone is very well, but is not enough either for a practitioner or for a judicial officer. More than that is required for successful practice or administration of the law. I think those requisites of tact, of common sense and of knowledge of men were possessed in a very eminent degree by Mr. Justice Bickerton. He also, it appeared to me, was in the habit of making a careful study of the facts in the cases before him, a study enough thing to do, but still a thing which a great many do not do. I think he was in the habit of studying the evidence and formulating the facts in the case with a great deal of care and industry and precision; and for constant and careful consideration of all the statutes and rules of practice and the decisions of the Courts here which bore or might bear upon the case in hand, I think he was never failing. Certainly he left nothing to be desired in his record as an honest man, as a good citizen and as a fair judge, and I am happy in these brief words to express my view to that effect.

Charles Creighton.—If Your Honor please so much has been said that I may almost say that the ground has been entirely covered, but I desire to say a few words in order to express my sorrow at the loss of Justice Bickerton, a gentleman whom I knew well and intimately not only as a jurist but in social life. As a jurist I met him first, my first acquaintance with him being when he was on the Police Bench of Honolulu. After that he was promoted to the Supreme Bench under the old system of practice when the Justices of the Supreme Court sat at nisi prius and travelled on the circuit. I have had the pleasure on many occasions to travel with Justice Bickerton to the other islands on circuit. I have been his guest on the other island and in San Francisco. I have seen him under all circumstances, when he was ill and under the most trying circumstances, and I must say that I have never seen him fail in that courtesy and gentle treatment to members of the bar for which he was noted. As has been remarked by the gentlemen who have preceded me, I think, as Mr. Brown said, as a trial judge it has been remarked very often by the members of the bar, no matter how trying, no matter how annoying, no matter how long and wearisome the case may have been, he still maintained that uniform manner and courtesy, no matter how ill he may have been. I remember the circumstances of one case when I was Deputy Attorney-General, the case lasting several days and Mr. Justice Bickerton at that time being ill, and yet notwithstanding his sickness and which I presume was the one he had been suffering from for years and which gradually increased and practically induced his death, he remained in the court room which was then below, until 5 o'clock in the morning. Numbers of incidents of that sort I have observed with him, and I must say that I wish to record

my entire sympathy with the Court and with his family and with the Bar at the loss that we have sustained.

Judge Whiting.—Brethren I would add a few words in regard to one whose loss we all mourn. I cannot say that he was a life long friend, but for many Hawaiian life here he was a friend from the time I may say when I landed, now going on fifteen years; and not only was he a friend, but he was a true friend. I have known for years of his having this sickness, it dated back some years, I think some 14 years ago when he was first troubled with what eventually carried him off, that is an organic disease. At times he was more affected with it than others, but he concealed it for a long period. His suffering at times was acute but he bore it with the cheerful hope of improving and getting over it until the latter part of his life. It is undoubtedly that his knowledge of the world and of men and his great common sense enabled him to apply the law with the facts in a clear and just way. You cannot, any of you feel his loss more I believe than I, and I wish to go on record as one of those of his friends who greatly mourn at his loss.

Chief Justice Judd.—Judge Bickerton is the seventh of my colleagues who have passed away during my incumbency of this Bench which began nearly twenty-two years ago. The thought is impressive and especially saddening to me. Judge Bickerton came to these islands in 1874 and immediately sought employment and became manager in turn of the Wallua and Kalaia sugar plantations. He thus gained much experience of Hawaiian affairs, as well as knowledge of the Hawaiian language. Soon after giving up plantation life he began the study of law here and was admitted to the Bar, upon examination on the 31st of May, 1877. He was quick to learn from others, and being facile in speech, was quite successful as a jury lawyer, having the patronage of several large business houses. Besides serving in several legislatures where he displayed his inherent honesty and independence he served as Police Justice of Honolulu, from August 16th, 1884, to December 28th, 1888, when he was appointed a Justice of this Court. All will admit that he was a remarkably good Police Justice. As a member of this Court for nine years his characteristics were, perfect honesty, fidelity to duty, common sense and a conservative view of affairs. He was affable and of a happy disposition, a faithful father and an affectionate husband. He bore with patience and resignation the lingering and wasting disease that was long ago fastened upon him. His dignity, self respect and unimpeachable character are worthy of imitation. His life is a record of what a man can do in the profession of law without the aid of a University education or a law school, applying himself patiently to all the facilities within his reach until he attained the goal of securing the respect of his fellow men and the approbation of God.

Let the resolution be recorded. In honor to the memory of our deceased First Associate this Court will adjourn until tomorrow morning.

## FIELD DAY.

January 17th Selected—Program of the Sports.

The Honolulu Amateur Athletic Club have decided to hold a field day on January 17th at Kapiolani Park, when the following program will be carried out:

1. One-mile novice bicycle.
2. 100 yards dash, handicap.
3. Half-mile boys' bicycle, handicap.
4. Running high jump, handicap.
5. Half-mile bicycle, handicap.
6. 40 yards dash.
7. Three-minute class bicycle.
8. Pole vault, handicap.
9. One-mile novelty bicycle.
10. 120 yards hurdle, handicap.
11. One-mile run.
12. One-mile bicycle, handicap.
13. Putting shot, handicap.
14. Running broad jump.
15. 220 yards dash, handicap.
16. Three-mile lap bicycle.
17. Ring tournament.

## Will Be Heard Today.

The cases of W. J. Sheridan and Dr. Frank Underwood, charged with conspiracy, were again postponed yesterday. A. G. M. Robertson appeared for the defendants. Deputy Attorney-General A. W. Carter will have charge of the case for the people. The defense objected to the men pleading, on the ground that they had not been properly served with complaints. In order to remedy the error the case went over until this morning, when it will proceed without further delay.

## Card of Thanks.

Wray Taylor desires to thank those ladies and gentlemen who so kindly assisted in the program at the Lepers Merry Christmas entertainment; also to thank the Hawaiian Gazette Company for tickets, Hawaiian Star Company for programs, Robt. Grieve for posters, Wall, Nichols Company for piano, the press in general for notices, C. V. Sturdevant for taking tickets, J. M. Ulunahie taking charge of the door, and the trustees of Kaunakapili church for use of building.

## MASONS HAVE A FEAST.

Installation of Pacific Lodge Officers Last Night.

### OCCASION VERY ENTERTAINING.

Repast Furnished by Pacific Club—Past Master Mackintosh Presided—Toasts Delivered—Beautiful Floral Decorations—All Enjoyed the Good Things.

Pacific Lodge, No. 822, A. F. & A. M. installed newly elected and appointed officers last night, with a banquet following business of the lodge. These officers were installed by Past Master Alexander Mackintosh of Hawaiian Lodge, No. 21:

Bro. Henry E. Cooper, Right Worshipful Master.  
Bro. Jas. A. King, Depute Master.  
Bro. C. B. Ripley, Substitute Master.  
Bro. John Phillips, Senior Warden.  
Bro. F. B. Auerbach, Junior Warden.  
Bro. W. O. Atwater, Treasurer.  
Bro. H. H. Williams, Secretary.  
Bro. R. F. Lange, Chaplain.  
Bro. Jno. Cassidy, Senior Deacon.  
Bro. Edwin Hughes, Junior Deacon.  
Bro. E. F. Bishop, Senior Steward.  
Bro. L. C. Ables, Junior Steward.  
Bro. Henry Smith, Inner Guard.  
Bro. J. M. Angus, Tyler.

The repast was furnished by the Pacific Club, W. A. Whiting and E. F. Bishop being the committee delegated to look after that part of the occasion. The menu embraced all the delicacies of the season, of which thirty-seven members and visitors partook.

Boiled Salmon Green Peas  
Escalloped Oysters  
Wild Doves Saratoga Potatoes  
Apple Jelly Chicken Celery Salad  
Olives Cold Turkey Ham  
Bread and Butter Biscuits Cheese  
Coffee  
Lager Beer Bavarian Beer  
Sparkling Hock Ginger Ale  
Plain Soda Water Boiled Water Ice.

The toasts were particularly pleasing and the occasion proved very entertaining.

## TOASTS.

C. B. Ripley, Masonic Charity.  
E. P. Dole, The Ladies, absent but not forgotten.  
Paul Neumann, The social side of Masonry.  
Sir Robert Herron, Masonry in the Mother country.  
Alex. Mackintosh, Masonry as a progressive moral science.  
W. O. Atwater, Our newly obligated brother.

The feast was spread in the banquet hall of the Temple, floral decorations being artistic and attractive. It is the usual custom at installation of Masonic officers to celebrate with a bountiful supply of good things. Last night's affair was in keeping with previous events, those present spending a pleasant and instructive evening, during which good fellowship prevailed.

## Mark Twain Among Savages.

Mark Twain, who was entertained by the Christchurch Savage Club, says that he prefers the New Zealand "Savages" to those he had known in his native land. I should think so, with a banquet provided at \$2 10s a head. Mark said that the Prodigal Son had a hard time of it, but he (Twain) had not struck it that way. Looking around on the "flowing bowl" and sort of thing, he said, he did not see much prohibition about the Savages, and he proceeded to tell the following story about a prohibition State in America:

A man was exhausted and needed a drink, but was told could not get a drink without a prescription from a physician. The man said, "For pity's sake, it don't want a physician's prescription to see that I am exhausted." "Well," said the druggist, "if you were suffering from snake bite, now, it might be all right." "Well," the man said, "where is the snake?" and he got the address of the snake, but soon came back, telling the druggist that the snake was engaged for six months ahead.—Ex.

Lon Yet and Lon Chuck, two Celestials in the wood business, were amusing themselves by beating their horses unmercifully at Kalihi yesterday afternoon, when the police interfered and arrested them for cruelty to animals.